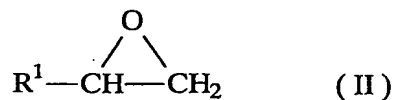
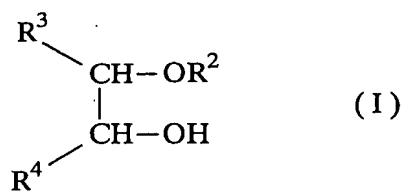


Abstract

The present invention relates to a surfactant composition containing a composition containing a diol derivative (I) and a surfactant:



wherein R^1 is an alkyl or alkenyl group having 4 to 22 carbons, R^2 is an alkyl or alkenyl group having 1 to 18 carbon atoms and one of R^3 and R^4 is a straight-chain or branched alkyl or alkenyl group having 4 to 22 carbon atoms and derived from R^1 and the other is a hydrogen atom.